

## AN IMPORTANT QUESTION.

A POOR old woman had reached the age of seventy years without having had any anxiety as to her soul. One day she was invited to attend a gospel meeting, and when there, as she heard the word, it pleased the Lord by the power of the Holy Spirit, to show her her lost and sinful state, and she was led to receive Jesus as the Saviour who had suffered and died for her.

This revelation of the love of the Lord made her truly happy and whenever in her lowly position she had the opportunity, she gave her testimony as to what He had done for her soul.

One morning having gone into a druggist's shop to get some medicine, the young man who served her said, in a light sort of way: "You are already an old woman and may well expect to be sick. Do you think you are going to live for ever?"

"Yes, blessed be the Lord," she replied, "for I have eternal life." The young man, disconcerted by this unexpected response, regarded her attentively, but he saw only a feeble old woman, poorly clad.

"Well," he continued, "tell me how you obtained it?"

"How I obtained it! It is the gift of the Lord Jesus; it is He who has given it to me. He has made me hear His voice, I was lost and He has saved me. Young man have you eternal life?" she asked, looking him straight in the face. "It is true that I am old, feeble and tottering, but you may die .